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In re patent application of: CARTER

Serial No.: 09/616,962

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Art Unit: 1655

For: MODIFIED SERUM ALBUMIN WITH REDUCED
AFFINITY FOR NICKEL AND COPPER

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a))

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C.
SIR:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate fee are as follows.

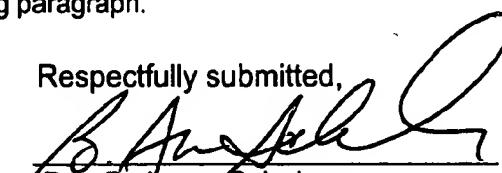
No extension of time previously obtained. Extension requested:

	<u>Large Entity Fee</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee</u>
..... One month \$ 110 (code 115) \$ 55 (code 215)
..... Two months \$ 400 (code 116) \$ 200 (code 216)
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..... Four months \$ 1440 (code 118) \$ 720 (code 218)
..... Five months \$ 1960 (code 128) \$ 980 (code 228)

A check covering the amount indicated above is enclosed. If no check or an insufficient check is enclosed and a fee is due with this communication, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee or additional fee due herewith to Deposit Account No. 12-0555.

If a further petition for extension of time (EOT) is required at this time, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an EOT of as many months as are required to ensure that the application is pending on the date that this petition is filed. Any fee due in connection with this petition is authorized in the preceding paragraph.

Respectfully submitted,


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